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For: TANTALUM-SILICON AND NIOBIUM-SILICON SUBSTRATES FOR
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TO: Honorable Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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Box Missing Parts

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b), Applicants please amend the application as follows:

DRAWINGS

Please enter the enclosed (informal) FIGS. 3, 4. No new matter is involved since these simply graphically display the data of Tables III, IV, respectively.

Also please enter the formal drawings of FIGS. 1, 2 and 5-8 now provided. A formal drawing of FIGS. 3, 4 will be provided separately.

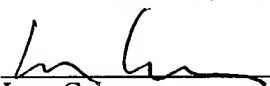
The Declaration required in said Notice is provided herewith as well as a Power of Attorney for each inventor. An assignment and cover sheet are also provided.

If there are any questions, please call Applicant's attorney, collect, at the number given above.

Respectfully submitted,
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Enclosures: FIGS. 3, 4 marked in red